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Message from the Executive Director

This past month was eventful for both the CIC and the District. The newly proposed DC Criminal Code garnered national attention and sparked debate in Congress. After two Council votes and a veto from the Mayor, President Biden stated he will not prevent Congress from striking down the legislation. We will continue to monitor and report on information from the Council and the advocacy community regarding developments for an updated criminal code.

On March 2nd, the Council held its Performance Oversight Hearing for the CIC, where Director Isaac gave testimony along with several members of the public. Links to the testimony and recording of the hearing can be found on the Council website. We appreciate the concerns and comments of those invested in our work and look forward to continue working with the community and Council to enhance our operations.

From February 21st to the 23rd, the CIC visited FCC Hazelton in West Virginia. This facility houses the largest federal population of those convicted under the DC Code. There were reports of lockdowns preventing normal operations. Many of those incarcerated expressed frustration over their inability to participate in programming during those lockdowns. After our visit, we received notice from several incarcerated residents that the lockdowns were lifted and operations were returning to normal. A full report on the inspection is underway. Additionally, a report from our January 20th visit to the DOC will be released in the coming weeks.

The BOP also released a new proposed rule change regarding the Inmate Financial Responsibility Program. The proposed rule underwent a public comment period from March 9th to the 13th, and is pending approval. With respect to the BOP and the DOC, our agency also completed a report on the Restore the Vote Amendment Act of 2020. The report was created in collaboration with the Board of Elections (BOE) and covers the period from the November 3, 2020 General Election through the November 8, 2022 General Election. We thank the BOE, DOC, and BOP for their work on executing recent voting initiatives. Please review our recommendations HERE.

-Donald Isaac

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Recent Reports

Below are recently published reports from the CIC including BOP and DOC inspection reports and CIC Info Sheets.

BOP Reports

USP Pollock

USP Canaan

FCI Ft. Dix

USP Lewisburg

VOA: Chesapeake

FCC Petersburg

USP Thomson

DOC Reports

CTF: Women's Facilities

DOC Follow-Up on CIC Inspection

Additional Resources

CIC Performance Hearing Testimony

CIC Resource Page

Contact Information for Fairview Facility

The First Step Act and DC Residents in Custody Info Sheet

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Custody



*Increase since January

31, 2022 (2,210 Adults in

Custody)

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2023



1,267

*Decrease since January 31, 2023 (1,301 Adults in Custody)

BOP Updates as of January 1, 2023

There are 533 men due to return in 2023.

There are 7 women due to return in 2023.

FCI McDowell is the only BOP facility at a COVID Level 3. As of February 28. 2023, there are 52 **DC** residents incarcerated at FCI McDowell

Total Number of Coronavirus Vaccine **Doses Administered**

348,618

FCC Hazelton houses close to 400 DC residents in custody. This institution is located approximately 190 miles from Union Station.

VOA Baltimore currently houses 63 **DC Residents**

DOC Updates as of February 28, 2023

There are 902 DC Code Offenders at CDF. 363 at CTF, 27 at CCB, and 2 at Fairview.

There are 615 residents that are pretrial and 21 are on Writ/Hold.

Under DYRS, there are 12 residents at the **Youth Shelter Home, 64 at Youth Services** Center, and 48 at New Beginnings totaling

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Take Advantage of Free Tax Preparation Resources

District residents with less than \$59,000 in annual income may be eligible free tax preparation services. Information on how to make an appointment and what documentation is needed can be found here.

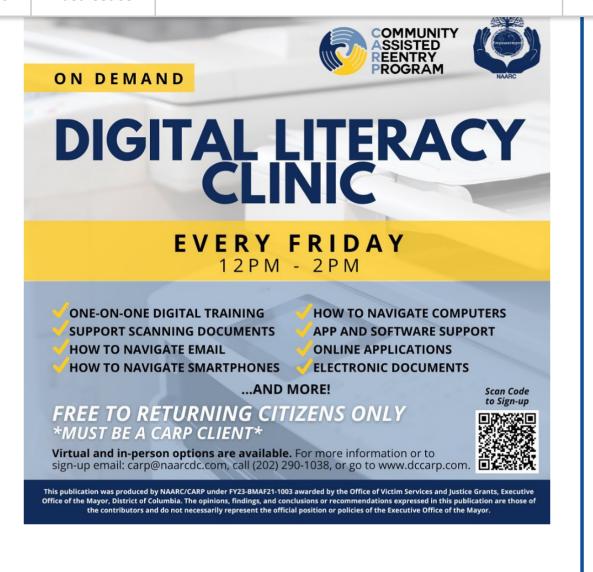
Attend a Digital Literacy Clinic

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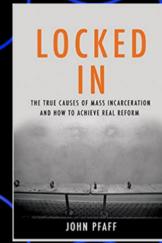
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What We're Reading



Locked in: The True
Causes of Mass
Incarceration and How to
Achieve Real Reform
by
John Pfaff

In Locked In, John Pfaff argues that the factors most commonly cited to explain mass incarceration -- the failed War on Drugs, draconian sentencing laws, an increasing reliance on private prisons -- tell us much less than we think. Instead, Pfaff urges us to look at other factors, especially a major shift in prosecutor behavior that occurred in the mid-1990s, when prosecutors began bringing felony charges against arrestees about twice as often as they had before.

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